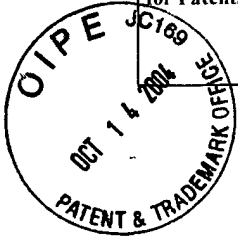


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 14, 2004

Dear Examiner Pechhold:

This is a Response to the Office Action dated **April 14, 2004**, setting an initial due date of July 14, 2004. A Petition, with the requisite fee under 37 CFR §1.17(c), extending the due date for three months from July 14, 2004 to **October 14, 2004** accompanies this Response. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the amendments and reconsider the application in view of Applicants' amendments and remarks.